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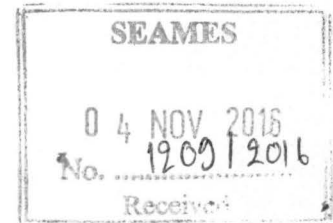
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**Subject: Affiliate Membership**

**Dear Sir,**

Greetings from Association of China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers!

We are very delighted to approach you for the possibility of joining SEAMEO as an affiliate Member.

In November 2011, former Premier Wen Jiabao of the State Council of the People's Republic of China proposed to set up 10 vocational Education and Training Centers oriented towards ASEAN countries while he was attending the 14<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Summit. In November 2014, the current Chinese Premier Li Keqiang proposed to establish another 20 China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers at the 17<sup>th</sup> China - ASEAN Summit. To this end, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Education of China jointly approved the establishment of 30 China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers in colleges and universities as well as research institutions to help ASEAN countries develop human resources needed in economic and social development, enhance China-ASEAN exchanges and cooperation in fields of culture and education, expand the convergent interests with other countries and regions, and continuously enrich the China-ASEAN strategic partnership.

In 2015, the Association of China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers was founded at the Opening Ceremony of the 8<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Education and Cooperation Week. It was jointly inaugurated by Cambodian Deputy Prime Minister Sok An, UNESCO Deputy Director-General

Engida, Chinese Minister of Education Yuan Guiren at the time and Chinese Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs Qian Hongshan. Consisting of 30 China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers, it has made positive contribution to building up a long-term mechanism of education and training cooperation between China and ASEAN Countries, deepening cultural exchange and cooperation between the two sides, establishing the education and training system and its public information platform, as well as achieving recourses sharing, mutual benefits and win-win results.

Member centers of the Association are located respectively in 30 higher education and research units, namely, China Foreign Affairs University, Xiamen University, Sun Yat-sen University, Jilin University, Guizhou University, Yunnan University, Guangxi University, Ocean University of China, China University of Petroleum, Communication University of China, South China University of Technology, Northeast Normal University, East China Normal University, Zhejiang Normal University, Fujian Normal University, Tianjin University of Technology and Education, Yangzhou University, Nanjing Agricultural University, Yunnan Agricultural University, Yunnan Minzu University, Guangxi University for Nationalities, Beijing University of Chinese Medicine, Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Chengdu University of TCM, Hainan Tropical Ocean University, Guangxi University of Finance and Economics, Guangxi Arts University, Guizhou Electric Power Vocational Technology College, Harbin Vocational & Technical College and Yunnan Academy of Scientific & Technical Information.

The Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) is an regional, inter-governmental organization jointly founded by the governments of Southeast Asian countries. Through the establishment of contact networks and partnerships as well as forums of decision makers and experts, it aims to facilitate sustainable development of human resources, enhance regional understanding, cooperation, and consistency of goals among the member states, improve people's livelihood in the hope that it will become a leading organization in promoting the mutual understanding and cooperation in the fields of education, science and culture among Southeast Asian countries. In the past 40 years, SEAMEO has set up 20 professional institutes around the region, leading the local development of human resources and providing professional knowledge of education, healthcare, environment, agriculture and natural resources. It has played a leading role in the educational, scientific and cultural research, and creative and innovative projects within the region by virtue of its scientific and technological expertise in various fields, and its strength in management and governance, partnership establishment, contact network construction, cooperation and collaboration.


The Association of China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers sincerely applies for the affiliate membership of SEAMEO. This Association, consisting of 30 China-ASEAN Education

and Training Centers, is a community with common goals, abundant education resources and complementary advantages. The joining in of the Association of China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers will accelerate the establishment of a more effective partnership between Southeast Asian countries and China in various fields to explore ways to conduct education and training, create innovative projects with a new platform, and further the mutual understanding and friendship among the related nations and regions. Meanwhile, with SEAMEO's professional status and international network in many fields, the Association of China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers will foster even deeper and wider international cooperation in the fields of education research, human resource development and culture exchange between the two sides so as to jointly build up a China-ASEAN Cross-border Education Community and make contribution to the cause of international education.

We are waiting for your positive manner of prompt reply.

Best Regards,

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